

REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's analysis of the present application. Examiner has allowed claims 17-22, 24-36, 39-43, 51-53, and 67-95 and indicated a willingness to allow claims 5, 7, 9-14, 46, 47, 49, 50, and 55-66 if certain objections are addressed.

Accordingly, Applicant has amended claims 5, 7, 46, and 55 to overcome Examiner's 35 U.S.C. Section 112 objections. Applicant has further amended minor grammatical errors in claims 36 and 59. Applicant has canceled claims 9-14 and 67-95 and plans to pursue these claims in a continuation application. Applicant has canceled all other claims to place the case in form for allowance.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with Examiner's suggested amendment of the specification. Examiner recommended the amendment of "3 seconds" to "30 seconds" found on page 12 line 14. Applicant believes the current time range, defined as being from 15 minutes before injection of the contrast to 3 seconds after injection of the contrast, is accurate and does not require amending.

Applicant believes the current application is in form for allowance and respectfully requests the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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